

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, December 10, 2014

TIME: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: North Terrace Room, City of San Diego Community Concourse

MEETING: Number 272

Commissioners in Attendance

Monica Bauer Shana Hazan
Dion Brown Gagandeep Kaur
Mark Dillon Joel Trambley, Chair

Charles Gillig Lillian Shallow, Youth Commissioner

Tiffany Harrison Lorena Slomanson

Excused Commissioners

Godwin Higa Susan Thomson-Tschirn, Vice Chair

Gloria Harris Jessica Nare

Staff in Attendance

Danell Scarborough, Executive Director Denise Sandoval, Executive Assistant Michael S. Giorgino, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office

The meeting was called to order by Chair Joel Trambley at 5:30 p.m.

Welcome and Roll Call

Minutes from the September 17, 2014, October 15, 2014, and November 18, 2014 Commission Meetings were each unanimously approved.

Mike Giorgino, Deputy City Attorney, newly appointed as legal advisor to the Commission was introduced.

Non-Agenda Public Comment

Ms. Felicia Yearwood requested that the Human Relations Commission acknowledge today as International Human Rights Day and plan an acknowledgement of this day for 2015.

New Business

Debrief 2014 HRC Awards Ceremony, the following ideas were suggested:

- Provide clearer information regarding parking availability locations and payment
- Provide escorts for guest arriving and leaving
- Provide a mixture of both awards and commendations to the program
- Make available larger banners of sponsors of the event for photo opportunities
- Include entertainment in the program
- Hire a professional photographer

- Make more seating available
- Make arrangements to give any food leftovers to a service organization
- Inform speakers of the time limit for speaking

A thank you letter to the Commission from the Hunger Advocacy Network was shared.

Joint Commission Meeting

Staff gave an update on the joint commission meeting to occur on January 22, 2015 (Third Thursday) between HRC and the Commission on Gang prevention and Intervention. An Ad-Hoc Committee of representatives from both commissions is developing the agenda.

Nominating Committee and Election of Officers for 2015

Nominating Committee members are Commissioner Mark Dillon and Commissioner Jessica Nare. Commissioner Mark Dillon requested that all Commissioners send their nominations to either himself or to Commissioner Jessica Nare by January 23rd.

Commissioner Mark Dillon made a motion to conduct the election of officers at the February 2015 meeting due to the joint meeting with Gang Commission in January. Motion passes.

Ashley Walker Social Justice Award

Nominees for the Ashley Walker Social Justice Award and arrangements for its presentation at the annual All People's Celebration on January 19, 2015 were discussed.

Motion was made that the honoree be Carmen Chavez, Esq. Motion passes.

Issue Team/Working Group Reports

- Food Access and Hunger
 - Commissioner Mark Dillon informed that on the same day as our Joint Commission Meeting there will be a reception held by the Hunger Advocacy Network thanking Assembly President Toni Atkins for her leadership.
- Immigrant Rights and Immigration Reform
 - Commissioner Charles Gillig Will be attending National Immigration Council Conference to gather information, strategies, and data for the Commission.
 - Commissioner Lorena Slomanson Current educational push is information regarding drivers' licenses for undocumented immigrants in California.
 - Commissioner Monica Bauer Document fraud awareness remains important issue.
- Human Trafficking
 - Youth Commissioner Lillian Shallow November 20th along with Vice Chair and Executive Director hosted 9 delegates from the Balkans.
 - Great exchange of strategies, legislation, obstacles, and lessons learned.

Reports from CAHRO Convenings

Information Agenda

Chair's Report

Executive Director's Report

• Training for Law Enforcement on how to work with the Transgender Community was held on Nov. 20,

2014. US Attorney Laura Duffy hosted the training of over 100 officers from around the County. Commissioners' Announcements

7:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting will be January 22, 2015 – Cherokee Point Elementary School A joint meeting with the City's Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention

Upcoming Events:

Not In Our Town Film and Hate Crimes Training, January 15, 2015, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Recital Hall, Balboa Park

UAAMAC's Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King. Jr. Community Breakfast and Celebration, January 19, 2015, 7:30 - 9:30 a.m., Jacobs Center

MLK All People's Annual Gathering, January 19, 2015, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m., Balboa Park Activities Center Joint meeting of the Human Relations Commission and the Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention, Thursday, January 22, 2015

Human Relations Commission Meeting, Wednesday, February 18, 2015 Restoring Respect Conference, March 20, 2015, USD